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The Chair and Members of the Cabinet County Hall Topsham Road Exeter Devon EX2 4QD

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CABINET

Wednesday, 10th April, 2019

A meeting of the Cabinet is to be held on the above date at 10.30 am in the Committee Suite - County Hall to consider the following matters.

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AGENDA

PART I - OPEN COMMITTEE

- 1 <u>Apologies for Absence</u>
- 2 <u>Minutes</u>

Minutes of the meeting held on 13 March 2019 (previously circulated).

3 Items Requiring Urgent Attention

Items which in the opinion of the Chair should be considered at the meeting as matters of urgency.

- 4 <u>Announcements</u>
- 5 <u>Petitions</u>
- 6 <u>Question(s) from Members of the Council</u>

FRAMEWORK DECISION

NIL

KEY DECISIONS

7 <u>County Road Highway Maintenance Capital Budget: Progress on 2018/19 Schemes and</u> <u>Proposals for the 2019/20 Programmes</u> (Pages 1 - 22)

Report of the Chief Officer for Highways, Infrastructure Development and Waste (HIW/19/38) seeking approval of the County Road Highway Maintenance Capital Budget, including progress on 2018/19 schemes and proposals for the 2019/20 programmes, attached.

Electoral Divisions(s): All Divisions

8 <u>County Road Highway Maintenance Revenue Budget and On-street Parking Account 2019/20</u> (Pages 23 - 34)

Report of the Chief Officer for Highways, Infrastructure Development and Waste (HIW/19/39) seeking approval of the County Road Highway Maintenance Revenue Budget and On Street Parking Account, attached.

Electoral Divisions(s): All Divisions

9 <u>Transport Capital Programme 2019/20: Proposed Allocation</u> (Pages 35 - 46)

Report of the Head of Planning, Transportation and Environment (PTE/19/17) outlining the proposed allocation of the Transport Capital Programme 2019/20 and seeking approval, attached.

Electoral Divisions(s): All Divisions

10 <u>E4 Cycle Route (Phase 2) - Cycle and Pedestrian improvements on Pinhoe Road and Exhibition</u> Way, Exeter: Approval to Construct (Pages 47 - 74)

Report of the Head of Planning Transportation and Environment (PTE/19/18) on the E4 Cycle Route (Phase 2) - Cycle and Pedestrian improvements on Pinhoe Road and Exhibition Way, Exeter, asking for approval to construct, attached.

An Impact Assessment is also attached for the attention of Members at this meeting.

Electoral Divisions(s): All in Exeter

11 Edge of Care (Pages 75 - 80)

Report of the Chief Officer for Childrens Services (CS/19/12), on the development of an Edge of Care service, attached.

Electoral Divisions(s): All Divisions

MATTERS REFERRED

12 <u>Call in of Cabinet Member Decision for Highways Management - Highways Fees and Charges.</u> (Pages 81 - 94)

In accordance with the Scrutiny Procedure Rules, the requisite number of Members (Councillors Connett, Dewhirst, G Hook, Brazil and Way) invoked the call-in procedure in relation to the decision of the Cabinet Member for Highways Management relating to Fees and Charges for Highways.

This was on the grounds of concern about the steep rises proposed, justification for them, any policy that outlined this and how raised funds would be used.

This Call-in was considered at the Corporate Infrastructure and Regulatory Services Scrutiny Committee on 26 March 2019 (Minute *117 refers).

The Chief Officer for Highways, Infrastructure Development and Waste and the Cabinet Member for Highway Management set out the reasons for the increase and responded to the queries raised at the meeting highlighting that the policy for increasing parking charges was in the Local Transport Plan, short stay parking charges had not been reviewed since their launch, minimising traffic congestion and easing air quality issues and how revenue was invested.

The Corporate Infrastructure and Regulatory Services Scrutiny Committee RESOLVED that the Cabinet Member decision to approve the detailed schedule of fees and charges for Highways and On-Street Parking tariffs be confirmed, subject to the Cabinet Member giving further consideration to the specific areas of concern raised by Local Members at the meeting; and that the Committee give further consideration to establishing a Scrutiny Task Group to look at parking fee policy in time for any future parking fee changes.

In responding to the Call-in, the Cabinet is required to reconsider the matter in the light of the Scrutiny Committee's views and may either amend or adopt the original decision, which shall be implemented with immediate effect.

Recommendation

(a) that the Corporate Infrastructure and Regulatory Services Scrutiny Committee be thanked for their comments relating to the fees and charges for highways and on-street parking tariffs;

(b) that the decision of the Cabinet Member for Highway Management (approval of the detailed schedule of fees and charges for highways and on-street parking tariffs) be confirmed, with the exception of Ilfracombe B and Courtney Street / Park in Newton Abbot where the Cabinet Member will review the charges in Consultation with the Local Member with confirmation of the final fees being determined by the Chief Officer for Highways, Infrastructure Development and Waste in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Highway Management; and

(c) that the Cabinet welcomes the suggestion of a Scrutiny Task Group considering parking fee policies, when changes to parking fees are proposed.

Electoral Divisions(s): All Divisions

13 <u>Corporate Infrastructure and Regulatory Services Scrutiny Committee - Highways Winter Service</u> <u>Task Group Report</u> (Pages 95 - 114)

At its meeting on 26th March 2019, the Corporate Infrastructure and Regulatory Services Scrutiny Committee considered the Report of the Highways Winter Service Task Group (Minute *119 refers) and the recommendations contained therein.

The Corporate Infrastructure and Regulatory Services Scrutiny Committee expressed their thanks to everyone involved in the production of such a comprehensive report and RESOLVED that the Task Group Report be commended to the Cabinet.

Recommendation

(a) that the Corporate Infrastructure and Regulatory Services Scrutiny Committee be thanked for its Task Group Report and the recommendations be in principle endorsed; and

(b) that the relevant Cabinet Member and Chief Officer for Highways, Infrastructure Development and Waste be asked to take forward the Report and progress / co-ordinate the recommendations contained therein, subject to available resources, engaging other partners and contractors as necessary.

Electoral Divisions(s): All Divisions

14 <u>Children's Scrutiny Committee - Matter of Urgency: School funding issues - Kingsbridge</u> <u>Community College</u>

At its meeting on 18th March 2019, the Children's Scrutiny Committee considered an item taken under Section 100B(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, at the request of Councillor Brazil due to concerns raised by Kingsbridge Community College regarding a letter sent relating to reducing school budgets, rising class sizes and restricted curricular and the need to support children's emotional health and wellbeing, without adequate resources.

Kingsbridge Community College had written to the Secretary of State for Education to request a meeting with representative headteachers, but such a meeting had been declined.

The Committee RESOLVED that Cabinet be asked to write to the Secretary of State for Education requesting that he meet with Headteachers not only in Devon, but across the whole country, concerning the current school funding crisis and the impact it was having on schools, children and families.

Recommendation

That the Children's Scrutiny Committee be thanked for their support in relation to the schools funding crisis and that the Cabinet Member for Childrens Services and Schools write to the Secretary of State for Education asking that he meet with Headteachers not only in Devon, but across the whole country, concerning the current school funding crisis and the impact it is having on schools, children and families.

Electoral Divisions(s): All Divisions

STANDING ITEMS

15 Question(s) from Members of the Public

16 <u>Minutes</u>

Minutes of the bodies shown below are circulated herewith for information or endorsement as indicated therein:

- a <u>Devon Audit Partnership Committee 11 March 2019</u> (Pages 115 118)
- b <u>Devon Education Forum 20th March 2019</u> (Pages 119 126)

[NB: Minutes of <u>County Council Committees</u> are published on the Council's Website: Minutes of the <u>Devon Education (Schools) Forum</u>: Minutes of the <u>South West Waste Partnership</u> Minutes of the <u>Devon & Cornwall Police & Crime Panel</u>

17 <u>Delegated Action/Urgent Matters</u> (Pages 127 - 128)

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18 <u>Forward Plan</u> (Pages 129 - 138)

In accordance with the Council's Constitution, the Cabinet is requested to review the list of forthcoming business (previously circulated) and to determine which items are to be defined as key and/or framework decisions and included in the Plan from the date of this meeting.

[NB: The Forward Plan is available on the Council's website at: <u>http://democracy.devon.gov.uk/mgListPlans.aspx?RPId=133&RD=0&bcr=1</u>]

PART II - ITEMS WHICH MAY BE TAKEN IN THE ABSENCE OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

NIL

Notice of all items listed above have been included in the Council's Forward Plan for the required period, unless otherwise indicated. The <u>Forward Plan</u> is published on the County Council's website.

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Membership

Councillors J Hart (Chair), S Barker, R Croad, A Davis, R Gilbert, S Hughes, A Leadbetter, J McInnes and B Parsons

Cabinet Member Remits

Councillors Hart (Policy, Corporate and Asset Management), Barker (Resources), Croad (Community, Public Health, Transportation & Environmental Services), Davis (Infrastructure Development & Waste), R Gilbert (Economy & Skills) S Hughes (Highway Management), Leadbetter (Adult Social Care & Health Services), McInnes (Children's Services & Schools) and Parsons (Organisational Development & Digital Transformation) **Declaration of Interests**

Members are reminded that they must declare any interest they may have in any item to be considered at this meeting, prior to any discussion taking place on that item.

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